

**District V Advisory Board
Meeting Minutes
December 7, 2009**
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The **District V Advisory Board Meeting** was held at 6:30 p.m. at Fire Station #21, 2110 N. 135th West. In attendance were eight (8) District Advisory Board members, seven (7) staff and approximately twenty three(23) citizens with seven (7) signing in.

Members Present

Councilmember Jeff Longwell
Jay Buckmaster
Kelly Watkins
Mike Bell
Bryan Frye
Joey Ellzey
Jay Flinn
Logan Fritze

Staff Present

Officer Baker, WPD
Tom Carney, WPD
Chris Carrier, PW
Gary Janzen, PW
Scott Lindebak, PW
Dale Miller, Planning
Megan Buckmaster, Neighborhood Services

Members Absent

Mike Hill
Pat Ream
Wendi White
Dana Brown
Kenton Cox
Darrell Leffew

Guests

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Order of Business

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:34 p.m.

Motion was made to approve the minutes from the November 2, 2009 meeting. Motion passed 6-0.

Motion was made to approve the agenda for the December 7, 2009 meeting. Motion passed 6-0.

Public Agenda

1. Scheduled items

No scheduled items

2. Off Agenda items

Eric Broadhead spoke representing Westlink Neighborhood Association in support of building a skate park in Buffalo Park to address the need/ support of family activities in the area. He noted support from neighborhood youth, families, and Wichita Police officers.

Bryan Frye spoke representing the DAB and the Park Board. He mentioned the 20 year PRO's Plan which was completed in 2008. There are three current skate parks and a fourth one is in the building phase. The parks under consideration for a skate park on the west side are Buffalo, Westlink, Harvest and West Millbrook. A meeting is being scheduled with residents, skaters, Neighborhood groups, Park Board and Park and Rec staff to discuss.

Action: Receive and file.

Staff Presentations

3. Community Police Report

Officer Baker, WPD, reported on beats 16, 18, 19, and 199.

- ✓ 16 Beat- increase in auto larcenies: foot and undercover patrol planned
- ✓ 18 Beat- increase in open garage door thefts
- ✓ 19 Beat- increase in open garage door thefts/ stolen cars in New Market Sq. area
- ✓ 199- Decrease in residential thefts due to undercover assignments and recent arrests.
- ✓ Stolen items have been recovered. Please call 268-4570 with serial numbers.

CM Longwell asked Police to increase patrol in the 119th and Kellogg (Wheatridge) area. There has been an increase in crime/ thefts in that neighborhood.

Action: Receive and file.

4. Wichita Fire Department Report

Tom Carney, WFD, reported on Fire statistics:

- ✓ November- 15 Fire Investigations city-wide, 1 in District V (Silver Spring Apts.)
- ✓ Reminded people to keep their Christmas trees moist/ watered, check lights.
- ✓ Reminded people to clean fire places, check furnaces and space heaters.
- ✓ Salvation Army Holiday collections start on Saturdays.

Action: Receive and file.

New Business

5. 29th St. N Improvements

Gary Janzen, Public Works, presented on the proposed improvement plan for 29th Street between Hoover and Ridge Rd. Two design plans were presented:

Option A: A three lane roadway with two through lanes, a two-way center left turn lane and landscaped medians where proposed.

Option B: A five lane roadway with four through lanes, a two-way center left turn lane and landscaped medians where proposed.

Both options will provide left turn lanes at Hoover and improved drainage. Sidewalk will be constructed along both sides of the street and the available right-of-way will be landscaped. Construction is planned to begin in 2013 or later, dependant on the availability of construction funding for the project.

Staff recommended Design Option A because of projected future traffic volumes and the cost of right-of-way acquisition required with Option B. The estimated cost for Option A, including necessary right-of-way acquisitions, is \$3,500,000. The estimated cost for Option B, including necessary right-of-way acquisitions is \$5,500,000. The Proposed 2009-2018 Capital Improvement Program includes a budget of \$4,150,000 in General Obligation bonds for the project.

Several DAB Members asked questions/ raised concerns. *Janzen responded (A):*

1. Why not just pave the existing current two lanes? *A: This option was looked at several years ago. The drainage would be difficult, long term maintenance more difficult and costly. Not as safe as a road as the proposed options. TThe City uses 3 lanes as a minimum standard for new roads/ road improvements.*
2. When will 29th Street-Hoover to West Street- be constructed/ improved? *A: in 2-5 years, by 2015.*
3. What is the current car count on 29th street between Maize and Tyler? *A: 12-15,000.*
4. How much is the current road costing the City to maintain? *A: Did not have exact numbers. It is a hard road to maintain because it is unpaved. There are also environmental issues with the dust produced.*

Several Public audience members raised concerns/ asked questions. *Janzen and Chris Carrier responded (A):*

1. Agreed with the 3 lane option. Do not use the current road because it is a “bad” road. Traffic would increase with a better road.
2. Would the inlet be enlarged? *A: The City would work with Barefoot Bay residents/ group to acquire some property to improve/ widen the channels. Also looking at adding more detention ponds and flood control projects in the area to help flood issues. The City is hoping for land dedication to work on Channel improvements by summer 2010.*
3. If this road is paved, development to the North would increase and drainage would become an issue with new roofs, driveways, and streets. *A: The City is proposing stricter regulations on developers to improve drainage with new construction.*
4. Concerned with development to the South: homeowners are concerned with drainage, filters, debris from paving, curbs and gutters filtering or “not” filtering into Barefoot Bay. *A; There would be a natural filtration system which does a good job. Trash and debris usually get s hung up in the storm water piping system. The City is working on a new Ordinance for Stormwater pollution which requires all new development or re- development to reduce pollution- trash, debris, and chemicals. The filtration system can handle any trash created from this street project.*

5. Is this the right time to spend 3.5-5.5 million dollars? Is a better option to pave 37th Street to Hoover where there is a current bridge over the ditch? When we get ready to construct the 29th Street bridge, then pave this road and make it a package deal.

6. Are there plans for sewer and water? *A: Sewer and water are via petition by residents.*

CM Longwell shared some thoughts based on the concerns raised: *Janzen responded (A):*

1. If there is a petition to build sanitary sewer won't there be a need to acquire additional R.O.W.? *A: we have the needed R.O.W. now.*

2. There are a number of issues in this quadrant the City recognizes needs improvement: Possible plans to vacate 37th street, Airport development, Interchange improvements at Hoover and K- 96 and a park plan at Hoover and K-96.

A motion was made to approve and recommend design Option B. The motion passed 5-1.

Action: Approve and Recommend Design Option B move forward to Council for vote.

6. CON2009-00035

Dale Miller, Planning, presented on case CON2009-00035; a request for City Conditional Use for Sand and Gravel Extraction on property zoned SF-5 Single-Family Residential located ¼ mile west of Hoover Road and ¼ mile south of 33rd Street North.

District Advisory Board members shared the following concerns:

1. How the sand will be transported from the location it is being mined from to where it is being taken over the four year time frame; large trucks, using others property.
2. The hours of quarrying and mining- disruption to area residents?
3. Possible small business?

Planning staff addressed all concerns.

Action: The District V Advisory Board approved the request per staff recommendation with the addition of hours of operation limited to Monday- Friday 8:00 a.m.- 5:00 p.m. to move forward to Council for vote.

Board Agenda

Board Updates and Issues

No updates given

Action: Receive and file.

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Megan Buckmaster, Neighborhood Assistant

Guests

Bob Bulman
Sharon Buck
John Edwards
Dr. Carla Lee
Mark Bauer
Gary Calkins
Katherine Edwards